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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR HOLDERS OF USIB-M-714

SUBJECT : Draft Minutes of the 23 January 1976
Intelligence Board Meeting

REFERENCE : USIB-M-714, 23 January 1976

On 9 February all USIB agency members concurred in the draft minutes of the 23 January Intelligence Board meeting. The Acting Director, DIA, concurred with an addition to the end of paragraph one of Item two. A revised page 4, reflecting this addition, is attached for substitution in all copies of the reference. Also attached are revised pages 6, 7 and 9 which reflect editorial changes.

Executive Secretary

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT : Draft Minutes of the 23 January 1976
Intelligence Board Meeting

1. The attached draft minutes of the 23 January Intelligence Board meeting are submitted herewith for USIB consideration.

USIB ACTION REQUESTED

2. Board members are requested to advise the Secretariat by close of business 6 February 1976 of their approval or other views on the attached minutes.

Executive Secretary

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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

Minutes of
Seven-hundred-fourteenth Meeting
United States Intelligence Board
DCI Conference Room (7D64)
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1430 hours, 23 January 1976

Director of Central Intelligence
Mr. W. E. Colby
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lieutenant General Vernon A. Walters, USA, Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
Mr. Harold H. Saunders, Director of Intelligence and Research, Department of State
Lieutenant General Eugene F. Tighe, Jr., USAF, Acting Director, Defense Intelligence Agency
Lieutenant General Lew Allen, Jr., USAF, Director, National Security Agency
Mr. William N. Morell, Jr., Department of Treasury Representative to USIB
* Major General Edward B. Giller, USAF (ret.), Energy Research and Development Administration Representative to USIB
* Colonel Fred I. Chanatry, USAF, acting for Energy Research and Development Administration Representative to USIB
Mr. William O. Cregar, acting for Federal Bureau of Investigation Representative to USIB

SERVICE OBSERVERS PRESENT

Brigadier General E. R. Thompson, USA, acting for Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Bobby R. Inman, USN, Director of Intelligence, Department of the Navy
Major General George J. Keegan, Jr., USAF, Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, United States Air Force

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Before addressing the regular agenda items Mr. Colby commented on the following:

- a. Welcome to Ambassador George Bush,
DCI-Designate

Mr. Colby introduced Ambassador Bush, the DCI-Designate, whom he had invited to the USIB meeting to meet the Board Principals.

- b. New Chairman, Human Resources
Committee

Mr. Colby reported that he was pleased that the State Department had made available a well-qualified Ambassador to be Chairman of the Human Resources Committee, particularly in view of the imminent departure of General Wilson to a new assignment.

- c. House Select Committee Report
on Intelligence

Mr. Colby briefly reviewed the current status of the House report noting that negotiations were underway regarding releasability of certain sensitive portions.

- d. National Security Council
Intelligence Directive No. 9

Mr. Colby said that this NSCID originally had been drafted about two years ago and was designed to supplement NSCID No. 5. He noted that the Board had reviewed and concurred in drafts of the NSCID in December 1974 and May 1975. Subsequent negotiations with the Attorney General resulted in some changes which had been agreed to by the agencies mainly involved, the CIA and the FBI. The current draft of the NSCID was distributed to the Board Principals at this meeting.

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Mr. Colby said that General Scowcroft believed it would be useful to have the USIB reaffirm its concurrence to the amended draft. Members were requested to advise Mr. Colby by 1000 hours on 26 January if they had any problems with the latest draft, dated 8 January 1976.

Note: As of 1000 hours, 26 January, all USIB Members concurred in the draft NSCID No. 9. General Scowcroft's office has been advised.

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2. Procedures for Strategic Warning
Notices
(USIB-D-71.11/18, 16 January 1976)

General Wilson introduced Major General Lincoln Faurer to address this item noting that General Faurer was the Special Assistant to the DCI for Strategic Warning as well as the Director of the National Military Intelligence Center and Deputy Director for Intelligence, DIA.

General Faurer said he would like to review what the staff has been doing and where it should go from here. He reported that the concept outlined in DCID No. 1/5, for a small interagency staff located in the NMIC and reporting to the DCI through him, is working well in practice. The Staff has not sought to duplicate the current or estimative work being done in the Community, nor was this the intent of the DCID. He said that it has sought to encourage research pertinent to the strategic warning problem and to focus on the information available to the Community from the standpoint of its basic mission: to provide the earliest possible warning that the Soviet Union, Warsaw Pact, PRC or North Korea is considering military action beyond its borders -- or is employing its forces in ways that might threaten military confrontation with the U.S.

General Faurer noted that the fact it is an interagency staff allows it to serve as a vital communications link with the broad analytic base of the parent organizations. He observed that the Board is familiar

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with the publications of the Staff; a Weekly Alert List, Monthly Report, and an occasional Special Report. General Faurer said that, while he intends to have the Staff continue with these publications and to be attentive to its responsibilities in the issuance of Strategic Warning Notices, he also wants it to involve itself in broader efforts to improve warning. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] analysts from the Staff are now engaged with other members of the Community in the complex business of developing indications and warning target sets [REDACTED]. He believed the approach used in that project could also be applied to other collection means and his staff is exploring this. In the process, he hoped that the Community could come up with more specific indicator lists which would help the SWS to monitor current developments more systematically and serve as solid guidance for the collector.

During the discussion General Allen proposed that the National Operations and Intelligence Watch Officers Net (NOIWON) system be used to notify the Community of strategic warning notices.

Following a general discussion the procedures were approved as amended. The final version will be circulated as USIB-D-71.11/19, 23 January 1976.

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5. Briefing on National Assets--
Support to Field Commanders

General Wilson introduced this subject by noting that the review had stemmed from the DCI's concern that national assets provide

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support to field commanders. He said that there has been a lot of activity regarding this subject over the past two years. IC Staff representatives have been involved in studies and extensive travel to discuss the needs and problems with the combat forces. He said that the current studies do not address the reverse data flow from field to the national level. In addition, the priority or risk to the national requirements has not been a prime consideration in the discussions. General Wilson said that the discussions centered on planning and problems associated with timely use of national systems data to support field operations. General Wilson stressed that this was an information briefing on the current status of this subject and that no USIB action was being requested at this time.

[redacted] of the IC Staff then briefed the Board. Copies of his briefing aids are attached.

During the discussion following the briefing, General Wilson noted that the current phase of the study does not address resources or trade-offs. General Tighe said he wished to commend the efforts described as an important first step in solving this important problem.

Executive Session

The DCI convened the Board in executive session at 1600 hours to discuss several items including the following:

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Executive Secretary

Adjournment: 1627 hours

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SUPPORT TO FIELD COMMANDERS
FROM NATIONAL ASSETS

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2. Lebanon: The Deteriorating
Situation
(SNIE 36.4-1-76)

All USIB members on 19 January telephonically concurred in the subject estimate.

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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD
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SUBJECT : Draft Minutes of the 23 January 1976
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REFERENCE : USIB-M-714, 23 January 1976

DUE DATE : Close of Business 6 February 1976

Agency	Vote	By	Date
CIA	CONCUR	Gen. Walters (Estelle Whelan)	2 February
State	CONCUR	Mr. Saunders	3 February
DIA	CONCUR *	Gen. Tighe	9 February
NSA	CONCUR	Gen. Allen (Ms. O'Dell)	3 February
TREASURY	CONCUR	Mr. Collins (Wanda)	5 February
ERDA	CONCUR	Col. Chanatry	3 February
FBI	CONCUR	Mr. Weimar	4 February

Remarks: Concurred w/addition of "and Deputy Director for Intelligence, DIA."
to the end of first paragraph of Item 2.

Approved by DCI on _____

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